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BEFORE THE
POSTAL RATE COMMISSION
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THE BROOKLYN UNION GAS COMPANY'S
NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF WITNESS
RICHARD E. BENTLEY

The Brooklyn Union Gas Company ("Brooklyn Union") hereby gives notice that its witness, Richard E. Bentley, is available to testify on February 18, 19, and 20, 1998; he could also testify on February 23 or 24, but would prefer not to be called on those dates due to a prior family commitment. Brooklyn Union respectfully requests that, if possible, Mr. Bentley be scheduled to testify on the same date he is scheduled to testify on behalf of Major Mailers Association.

Respectfully submitted,

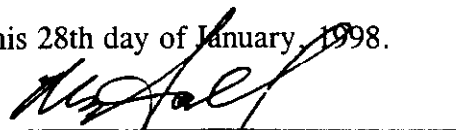


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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served the foregoing document upon all relevant participants in accordance with Section 12 of the Rules of Practice and Rule 3(c) of the Special Rules of Practice in this proceeding.

Dated at Washington, D.C., this 28th day of January, 1998.



Michael W. Hall